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For:

PROCESS FOR THE PURIFICATION AND CRYSTALLIZATION OF

**PROTEASOME** 

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE UNDER 37 CFR §§1.821-825

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

December 19, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Office Action on the Merits mailed August 20, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

## In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as shown:

Please delete the paragraph on page 9, lines 1-10, and replace it with the following paragraph:

Figure 1

shows the homology between the amino acid sequences (SEQ ID NOS 1-13, respectively, in order of appearance) from yeast and humans coding for the active subunits of the proteasome; the \( \beta 1/PRE3. \) β2/PUP1, β5/PRE2 subfamilies are indicated by the yellow, green and blue colour respectively; the residues of the S1 pocket which influence the specificity

changes of the PRE3 subfamily after substitution of the

human subunit Y by LMP2 after cytokine ind 收拾格件器是TPLUNKET 00900001 012300

shown in brown;

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